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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: M. USAMI

Application No.: 10/676,016

Filed: October 2, 2003

For: A METHOD OF MANUFACTURING AN ELECTRONIC DEVICE

Group: 2824

Examiner: Michael K. Luhrs

Confirmation No.: 6441

RESPONSE

Mail Stop: AMENDMENT

December 27, 2005

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The following remarks, and enclosed Terminal Disclaimer, are being submitted in response to the Office Action mailed September 27, 2005.

Thus, in this Office Action mailed September 27, 2005, the sole basis for rejection of the claims is under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting, over claim 18 of U.S. Patent No. 6,660,557. The Examiner also indicated in this Office Action mailed September 27, 2005, that a timely filed Terminal Disclaimer may be used to overcome the double patenting rejection.

In view of the foregoing, and to facilitate proceedings in connection with the above-identified application, enclosed please find a Terminal Disclaimer with respect to U.S. Patent No. 6,660,557. It is respectfully submitted that this Terminal Disclaimer satisfies all applicable requirements of 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c); and that in view of the filing of this Terminal Disclaimer, the obviousness-type double patenting

rejection is moot.

Applicants respectfully submit that the enclosed Terminal Disclaimer is being filed so as to facilitate proceedings in connection with the above-identified application, in order to achieve earliest possible issuance of a U.S. patent based thereon. It is respectfully submitted that the filing of this Terminal Disclaimer does not constitute an admission as to the propriety of, or agreement with, the obviousness-type double patenting rejection; and does not constitute an admission as to the propriety of, or agreement with, arguments made by the Examiner in connection with the obviousness-type double patenting rejection.

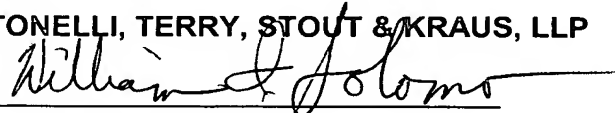
In any event, in view of filing of this Terminal Disclaimer, it is respectfully submitted that the obviousness-type double patenting rejection has clearly been overcome. Accordingly, allowance of all remaining claims, and passing of the above-identified application to issue in due course, are respectfully requested.

Applicants request any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper please be charged to the Deposit Account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Docket No. 520.39937CX1), and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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